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The Honorable Daniel P. Moynihan
United States Senate
405 Lexington Avenue
41st Floor
New York, NY 10174

Attention: Deborah A. Famighette

Dear Senator Moynihan:

Thank you for contacting our office on behalf of your constituent, Mr. Carmine R. Bassano, of 3570 Ivy Drive, Bethpage, NY 11714. Mr. Bassano is concerned about proposed FCC rule changes under consideration for the Radio Controlled radio service.

Your inquiry is being forwarded to the Chief, Field Operations Bureau for coordination with the appropriate staff at our headquarters office in Washington, DC. You should receive a response within the next 30 days.

Sincerely,

Alexander J. Zimny
Engineer in Charge

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February 22, 1993

Mr. Kevin McKeon
Field Public Service Specialist
Federal Communications Commission
201 Varick Street
New York, NY 10014

Dear Mr. McKeon:

The enclosed inquiry is from a constituent of mine,
Mr. Carmine R. Bassano.

I would appreciate your careful consideration of these
remarks, and your thoughts on what remedies there may be for
this situation.

Please send me your written response in duplicate along
with the letter from my constituent to:

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CARMINE R. BASSANO
3570 IVY DRIVE
BETHPAGE, N.Y., 11714

February 6, 1993

The Honorable Daniel P. Moynihan
405 Lexington Avenue
New York, New York 10174

Dear Senator Moynihan:

I have been interested in aviation for as long as I can remember. I am an ex-Air Force fighter pilot and am active in local and national competitive events. As such, I am very concerned about proposed rules that are currently under consideration by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). The proceeding is PR Docket 92-235. If adopted, the new rules will greatly reduce the usability of frequencies currently assigned for model use and increase the risk of accidents and attendant liability for controlling model airplanes.

Our radio control frequencies are in the 72-76 MHz band. This band is primarily used for private land mobile dispatch operations. However, our radio control frequencies in this band are far enough apart from the land mobile frequencies that we have been able to share the band without either use interfering with the other.

Now the FCC wants to create more land mobile frequencies by splitting them into narrower bandwidths and rearranging the band plan. As a result, many land mobile frequencies will move closer to the radio control frequencies and cause interference to radio control operations. I am told that of the 50 frequencies that are presently available for radio control of model airplanes,

Not only are these new frequencies very close to ours, they are also designated as "mobile"; therefore, we would never know where they are operating, including right in the pit area at our field or on the street nearby. In addition, the technical specifications for the new equipment allows a legal frequency tolerance which could place their signal directly on ours!

Please understand that the models I build weigh as much as 8-10 lbs. and operate at speeds up to 120 m.p.h. Most of my practice flying is done at a public park on Long Island. The models themselves are expensive to build; but more to the point, they are capable of causing property damage, serious injury, or even death if radio interference causes the operator to lose control of the craft. We often fly our models at organized events and contests where hundreds of operators participate. We need the use of our full complement of radio frequencies in order to assure a safe flying environment. Also, I own six (6) pieces of radio equipment that would be unusable if this frequency assign-

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Attention: Deborah A. Famighette

Dear Senator Moynihan:

Thank you for contacting our office on behalf of your constituent, Mr. Ken Langsdorf, of 622 Red Creek Road, Hampton Bays, NY 11946. Mr. Langsdorf is concerned about proposed FCC rule changes under consideration for the Radio Controlled radio service.

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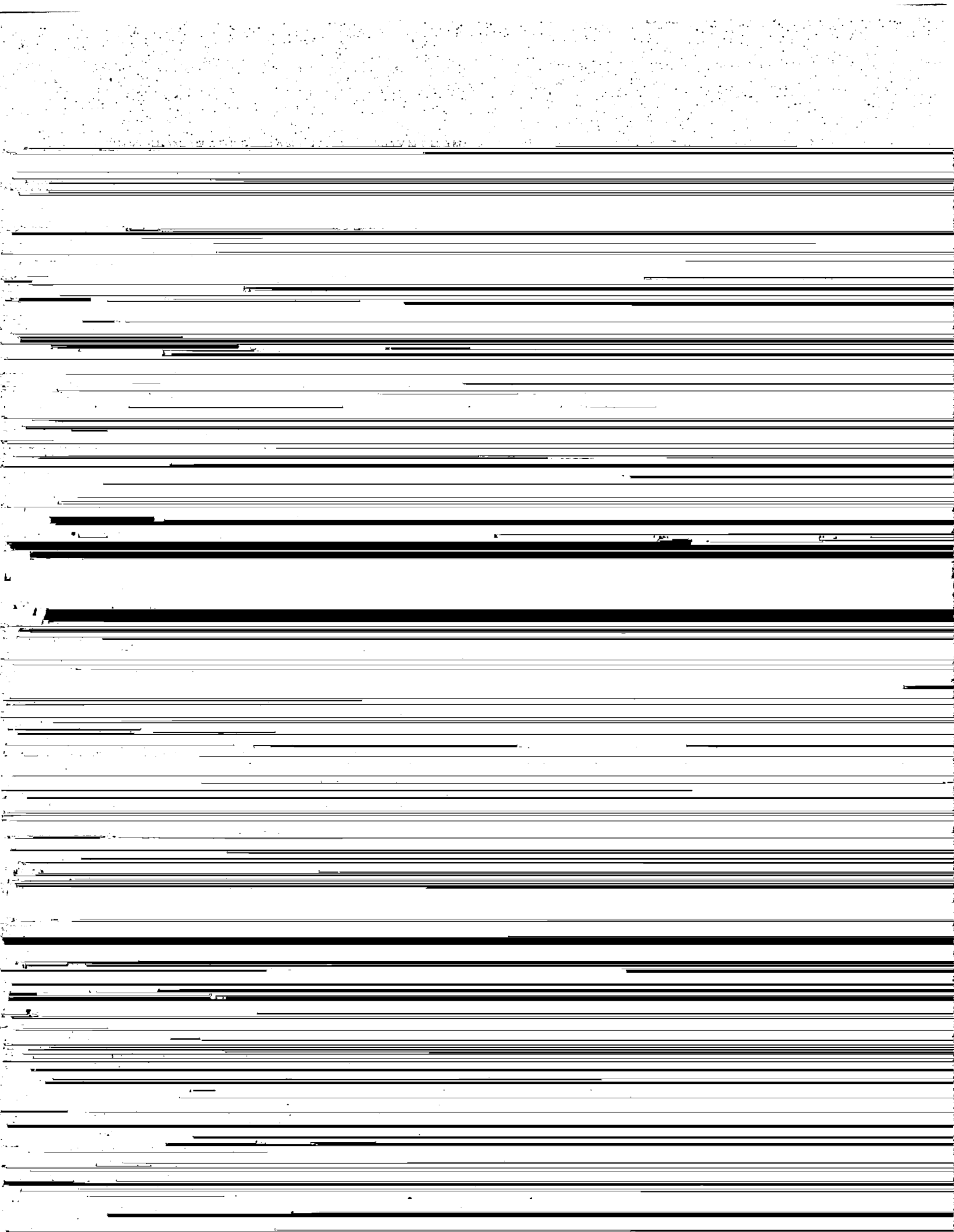
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Daniel Patrick Moynihan



INTERFERENCE WITH THE TYPE OF OPERATION IN AN AMATEUR MOBILE
TRANSMITTER IS A VERY SERIOUS SITUATION.

I FEEL THE FCC SHOULD RE THINK THIS IN A FAST MANNER. OUR
EQUIPMENT IS IN USE NOW THE NEW EQUIPMENT IS YET TO BE
DESIGNED. PUT THE NEW EQUIPMENT IN A DIFFERENT PART OF THE
RADIO BAND, WHERE INTERFERENCE MIGHT MEAN OVERLAPPING OF
VOICE TRANSMISSIONS, INSTEAD OF THE DANGEROUS SITUATION THEY
NOW PROPOSE.

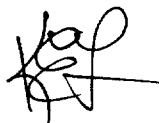
FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON THIS MATTER CONTACT THE BELOW
ORGANIZATION OF WHICH I AM A MEMBER:

THE TECHNICAL DEPARTMENT
AMA HEADQUARTERS
1810 SAMUEL MORSE DRIVE
RESTON, VIRGINIA 22090

(703) 435-0798

THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP WITH THIS MATTER.

KEN LANGSDORF
622 RED CREEK ROAD
HAMPTON BAYS, NY 11946



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February 12, 1993

The Honorable Daniel Patrick Moynihan
733 Third Avenue
New York, NY 10117

Dear Senator Moynihan:

When I received a notice concerning a FCC rule change (Docket 92 - 235) I thought here we go again. Just a few years ago radio control model airplane flyers had to modify or scrap expensive existing equipment to allow us to make more effective use of the very limited radio frequency spectrum available to us.

Because of the cost, there was substantial resistance to the change within the model airplane community. As the editor of the Long Island Radio Control Society (LIRCS) newsletter, I wrote articles urging members to support the program worked out between our association, the Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA) and the FCC. We were able to sell the change because this new arrangement promised to solve our interference problems long term. We made the change over in 1991.

I'm not an engineer or electronics expert. Those who are, tell me the change being considered would make it unsafe to use existing radio control equipment. To fly safely we would have to buy new gear costing several times as much as we now pay if and when suitable equipment becomes available. Many of our younger, older and less well fixed members might have to give up the hobby. I have more than two thousand dollars invested in equipment. Most of it is new to comply with 1991 regulations. This issue is important to me!

Since I was a kid in a sunday school model airplane club that met in the basement of a print shop on Flatbush Avenue in Brooklyn, model building flying has been a major interest for me. I understand the importance of encouraging commercial firms and I think educational recreation is important too. I hope you agree and are willing to let the FCC know of our concerns.



Neil D. Markee
102 Emerson Street
Port Jefferson, NY 11777

cc: FCC

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Attention: Deborah A. Famighette

Dear Senator Moynihan:

Thank you for contacting our office on behalf of your constituent, Mr. Thomas Roedel of 1896 Meadowbrook Road, Merrick, NY 11566. Mr. Roedel is concerned about proposed FCC rule changes under consideration for the Radio Controlled radio service.

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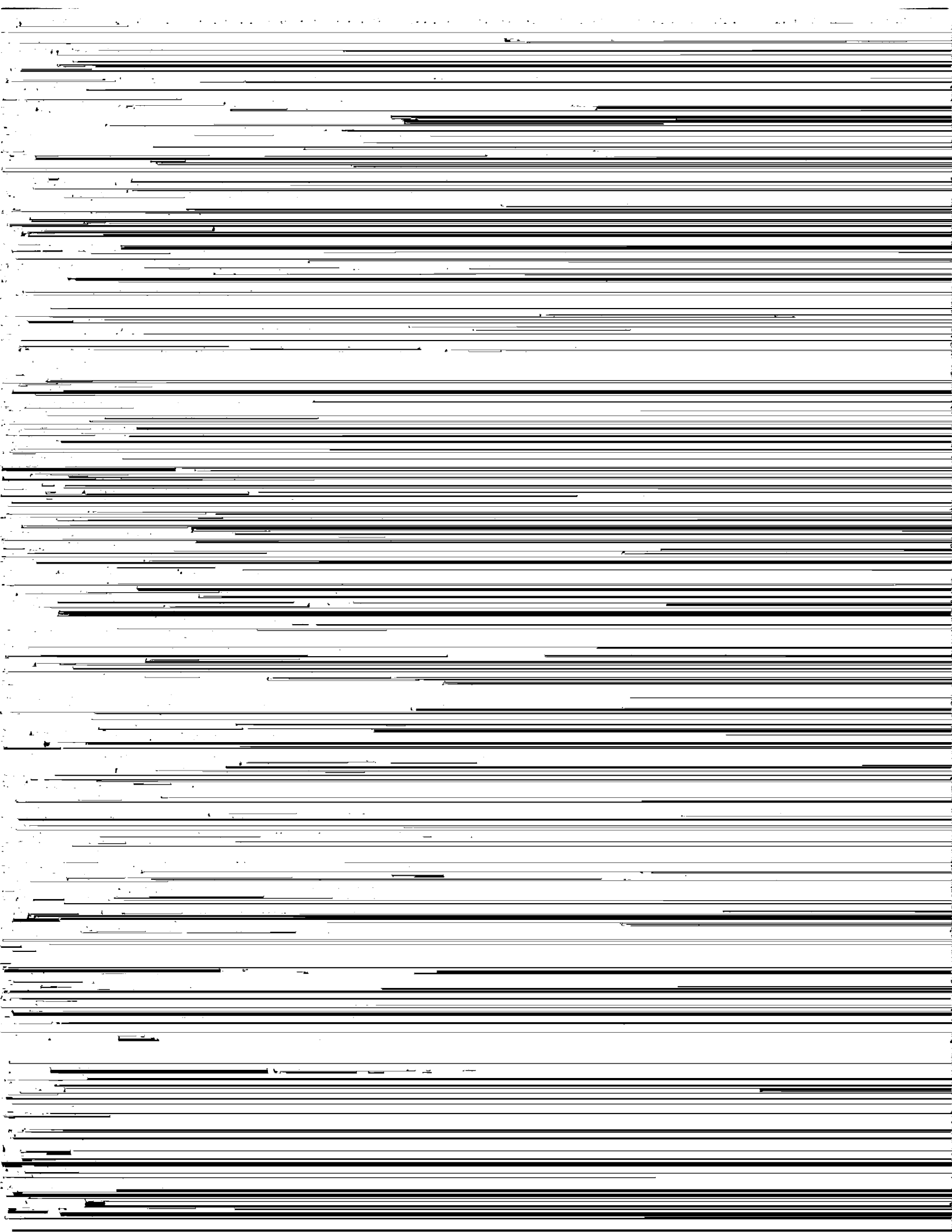




enough apart from the land mobile frequencies that we have been able to share the band without either use interfering with the other.

The nature of Proposed Rule Making in PR docket 92-235 replaces part 90 of the rules with a new part 88. Part 90 allows for safe use of R/C aircraft by keeping 10 KHz spacing between fixed commercial users & frequencies used by R/C enthusiasts. The new Part 88 will allow mobile users on frequencies within 25 KHz of frequencies available to us, eliminating safe use of at least 31 of the 50 channels on the 72 MHz band (for R/C aircraft) and 10 of 30 frequencies on the 75 MHz band now used by hobbyists. In fact more channels will likely be affected.

When we operate our R/C models, we go to great lengths to insure the safety of all involved. Many of our safety precautions involve the careful coordination and use of the radio control frequencies. If the number of usable frequencies is diminished as



difficult to avoid halting these
proposals from going into effect

Sincerely

Thomas Roedel

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516 546-2816

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Attention: Deborah A. Famighette

Dear Senator Moynihan:

Thank you for contacting our office on behalf of your constituent, Mr. Mario Bozzolo of 32-49 32nd Street, Long Island City, NY 11106. Mr. Bozzolo is concerned about proposed FCC rule changes under consideration for the Radio Controlled radio service.

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